

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 22 OCT 54 DAY	2. LOCATION UNION CITY, INDIANA
3. SOURCE CIVILIAN	10. CONCLUSION OTHER: CHAFF DROP
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS MULTIPLE	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1-2 MINUTES FOR A/C	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Fast moving object moving SE in direction of Dayton Airport. High with bright sunlight reflecting from obj, in sight for only minute or two. No contrails or exhaust. After plane left dozens of obj were observed to float toward ground. Some of the objs floated directly overhead. These objs were like shiny threads. X Flat rainbow colored plastic.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION GROUND VISUAL	COMMENTS: Witnesses observed chaff drop.
7. COURSE FALLING	
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes X o No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE XX Yes NOT RECD <input type="checkbox"/> No	

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Union City, Indiana, November 4, 1961.

To: [REDACTED]
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

Not knowing to what department I should address this letter I am sending it to you with request that you forward it to the proper department for whatever attention it warrants.

I am writing this letter believing that some department in the Government might be interested in the strange phenomenon witnessed by my wife and I on October 22. Also I would like to have someone who knows explain the nature of the phenomenon and what caused it.

While working in our yard my wife ^{first} saw in the western sky a fast moving object moving in a south easterly direction which was in the direction of the Dayton Air port.

It was too high and too far away to see an outline of it but in a bright sunshine it was very bright and about the size of a large toy balloon. It moved so rapidly that it was within our vision only a minute or two. This may have been a jet plane but all jet planes I have seen leave in their wake a streamer of smoke or gas. Watching the fast moving object we saw, observed no streamer of gas or smoke.

However our curiosity was not aroused until after the bright shining object had disappeared beyond our vision, when a strange phenomenon occurred.

Immediately following the disappearance of the bright object, we saw in the direction of the spot where the fast moving object had disappeared, we saw dozens of objects floating in the sky. Perhaps I can best describe their look by saying we were reminded of the pictures we have seen of paratroopers being dropped from army planes.

These objects varied in size, some being as large as a foot to a foot and half in diameter while others were much smaller. They were round in shape and very bright. At first they seemed to be as far off as the bright fast moving object we had watched before it disappeared. But of course the distance and the size may have been deceptive by an optical illusion.

As we watched these dozens of objects floating towards the earth some came towards us and one floated directly over our heads but before it came near as it lost its round shape and lengthened into a streamer shaped object and attached itself to the antenna of our TV set. Where it attached itself to the antenna it was thread like but at thickness end the end attached to the antenna to the loose end at the loose end it was an inch & an inch and a half in diameter. As we watched it, it floated like a streamer in a horizontal position in a line with the TV beam between our antenna and the Dayton TV station. Further observation brought to our vision dozens of thread like objects floating from our antenna all pointing to the Dayton TV station, in Dayton.

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But this was not all. We also saw shiny thread like objects floating from the tree tops in the front of our yard to the west.

Later we noticed some of this material on the bushes near us and examining it closely it was ribbon like, that was flat rather than round and took on the appearance of thin colored plastic. In width size it was probably $\frac{1}{3}$ rd of an inch in size or smaller, and no thicker than a hair.

A few days later we heard a news broadcaster at WIP and ^{in our state} play on the SWIFT broadcast news program describe the phenomenon we had seen, from a report they had received from Marysville, Ohio. These broadcasters said the spectacle had been seen by two school teachers and their fifty pupils.

Telling a friend about this strange spectacle he said what we had seen was probably spider webs. It was generally known that spiders weave large webs and float them in the air to carry the spiders from place to place.

Thanking you for any attention you wish to give this letter and for any information you can furnish me, I am,

Yours sincerely,
[REDACTED]
Union City, Indiana.

22 October 1954

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Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

I refer to your recent expression of interest in behalf of Mr. [REDACTED] concerning the unidentified flying object sighted by Mr. [REDACTED] in the vicinity of Union City, Indiana, on 22 October 1954.

A copy of [REDACTED] report has been referred to the Air Force staff section having cognizance of these matters. Mr. [REDACTED] may be assured that the information submitted by him will be carefully studied in an attempt to identify the objects which he has [REDACTED] sighted.

Sincerely yours,

J. W. DALLY
Major General, USAF

Inclosure

Director, Legislative Liaison

Ltr to Rep. [REDACTED]

fm Mr. [REDACTED] dtd 4 Nov

Honorable [REDACTED]

House of Representatives

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Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, D. C.

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Sir:

The attached communication
is sent for your consideration.
Please investigate the statements
contained therein and forward me
the necessary information for re-
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spondence with your answer.

Yours truly,



M. C.